# DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION





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The **State Board of Education** was first provided for in the Constitution of 1850 and currently exists through the provisions of article VIII, section 3, of the Constitution of 1963. The state board is composed of **8 members** nominated by party conventions and elected at-large for terms of 8 years, with 2 members being elected at each biennial state general election. The governor is authorized to fill vacancies on the state board and also serves as an ex officio member of the state board, without the right to vote. The superintendent of public instruction is appointed by the board for a term to be determined by the board, to serve as its chair, without the right to vote.

#### MICHIGAN STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

	Term expires
JOHN C. Austin, Ann Arbor (Vice President)	. Jan. 1, 2009
ELIZABETH W. BAUER, Birmingham	. Jan. 1, 2011
CAROLYN L. CURTIN, Evart (Secretary)	. Jan. 1, 2011
NANCY DANHOF, East Lansing (NASBE Delegate)	. Jan. 1, 2013
Marianne Yared McGuire, Detroit (Treasurer)	. Jan. 1, 2013
KATHLEEN N. STRAUS, Detroit (President)	. Jan. 1, 2009
REGINALD M. TURNER, Detroit	. Jan. 1, 2015
CASANDRA E. Ulbrich, Rochester Hills	. Jan. 1, 2015

#### ex officio

JENNIFER M. GRANHOLM, GOVERNOR
MICHAEL P. FLANAGAN, Superintendent of Public Instruction, Chair

## Michigan State Board of Education

The State Board of Education exercises its **constitutional duties** of leadership and general supervision over all public education, including adult education and instructional programs in state institutions, except for institutions of higher education granting baccalaureate degrees. It serves as the general planning and coordinating body for all public education, including higher education, and advises the legislature as to the financial requirements for public education.

The *Office of the State Board of Education* is responsible for supervising, managing, and coordinating all activities of the State Board of Education, including policy development, operations, and communications.

The *State Board Executive* is responsible as the legal repository of all State Board of Education activities and records. The State Board Executive prepares all State Board of Education correspondence, expenses, budget, and scheduling; and prepares all State Board of Education meeting agendas, minutes, and follow-up materials.

The **State Board of Education's Strategic Goal** is to attain substantial and meaningful improvement in academic achievement for all students/children with primary emphasis on high priority schools and students.

### Department of Education

The Department of Education, under the direction of the Superintendent of Public Instruction, carries out the policies of the State Board of Education. The Department implements federal and state legislative mandates in education.

The *Superintendent of Public Instruction* is appointed by and responsible to the State Board of Education. The Superintendent is the principal executive officer of the Department of Education and is a member of the State Administrative Board. The Superintendent is the chair and a nonvoting member of the State Board of Education. The Superintendent also serves on the Public School Employees' Retirement Board, the Michigan State Safety Commission, and the State Board for Public Community Colleges. He is an ex officio member of the State Tenure Commission.

As the principal executive officer of the Department of Education, the Superintendent of Public Instruction is responsible for assisting the State Board of Education in advising the legislature regarding the financial needs of schools and administering the State School Aid Act. The Superintendent is responsible for the day-to-day management, supervision, and leadership of the Department. Major departmental responsibilities include: certification of educators and providing technical assistance to schools in the areas of instruction, special education, grants, transportation, and food programs. The Department also operates the Michigan Schools for the Deaf in Flint.

The *Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction* includes the Chief Academic Officer, Deputy Superintendent for Administrative and Support Services, the Director of Communications, and the Chief of Staff.

# STATE INTERAGENCY COORDINATING COUNCIL (SICC)

SICC Chairperson	Term expires	
Angus Miller	Sept. 2004	
Parents		
KEITH ALEXANDER	Sept. 2004	
CINDY LOU POEHLMAN	Sept. 2003	
Public and Private Providers		
Sr. Barbara Cline	Sept. 2004	
JESSICA DUNQUIST		
MICHAEL MCCARTAN	Sept. 2004	
JOHANNA OSTWALD  CONNIE CULLIP, Alternate	Sept. 2004	
Mark Reigle	Sept. 2005	
Insurance Bureau		
JOAN MOILES  JOHN GARDNER, Alternate	Sept. 2002	
Michigan Department of Community Health (Mental Health)		
SHERI FALVAY	Sept. 2003	

# STATE INTERAGENCY COORDINATING COUNCIL (SICC) (Cont.)

Child Care Providers	Term expires	
VACANCY		
Head Start		
LINDA GEORGE	Sept. 2003	
Native Americans		
VACANCY		
Personnel Preparation		
Mark Larson, Ph.D.	Sept. 2003	
Special Education		
JIM PARIS	Sept. 2002	
Department of Human Services		
MARY MEHREN	Sept. 2005	
Michigan Department of Community Health (Public Health)		
Brenda Fink	Sept. 2005	
Consumer and Industry Services		
Carol Hakala Engle	Sept. 2003	
Lead Agency, Michigan Department of Educat	ion	
CAROL WOLENBERG	Sept. 2004	
Michigan Legislature		

VACANCY

The State Interagency Coordinating Council was created by Executive Order No. 1992-21 and the Department of Education was designated as the lead agency to supervise the development and coordination of early intervention services for infants and toddlers with disabilities, birth to age 2,

Twenty percent of the council members are parents of infants and toddlers or parents of children age 12 or younger with disabilities. At least 20% of the members are public or private providers of early intervention services to children with disabilities.

The members are appointed by the governor and serve 3-year terms.

# MICHIGAN SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE (SEAC)

Michigan Association of Intermediate		
Special Education Administrators         Term expires           CINDY ANDERSON         June 30, 2008		
Michigan Association of School Social Workers  BEVERLY BARONI-YEGLIC		
Michigan Association of School Boards  Debra Brinson		
Michigan Council for Exceptional Children  CINDY BUSH		
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Michigan Association of Intermediate School Administrators		
Thomas Caldwell		
Michigan Association of Secondary School Principals		
Frederick CromieJune 30, 2010		
Citizens Alliance to Uphold Special Education		
Julie Daggett-Lawrence		
Statewide Parent Advisory Committee		
Tina Densmore		
Michigan Association for		
Supervision and Curriculum Development  JUDITH DORSCH-BACKES		
Michigan Speech-Language-Hearing Association  Jonelle Gillette		
Micbigan Association for Children With Emotional Disorders		
Doris Higgs June 30, 2010		
Michigan Association of School Psychologists		
ROBERT HOVE		
Michigan Association of Nonpublic Schools		
JILL JACOBS June 30, 2010		
Michigan Association of Administrators of Special Education		
Teri Johnson		
ARC/Michigan		
Maggie Kolk		
Michigan Education Association		
Christopher KorbelJune 30, 2010		
Learning Disabilities Association of Michigan		
KATHLEEN KOSOBUD		
Michigan Association of Learning Disabilities		
Sheri Kraft		
Autism Society of Michigan		
Shari Krishnan June 30, 2008		

# MICHIGAN SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE (SEAC) (Cont.)

Michigan Association of		
School Administrators	Term expires	
Tom Langdon	June 30, 2009	
Michigan Association of Local Special Education Superv	isors	
DIANE LANHAM	June 30, 2010	
Michigan Transition Services Association		
Chuck Saur	June 30, 2008	
Michigan Association of Teachers of Children with Emotional Disorders		
RICHARD SPRING	June 30, 2010	
American Federation of Teachers Michigan		
Susan Steinbacher	June 30, 2008	
Michigan Association of Public School Academies		
Chuck Stockwell	June 30, 2010	
General Public		
MICHAEL BEACH.  JEAN CHRISTENSON.  DARLENE HEARD-THOMAS  DAVID OVERLY.  SUSAN PETERS  DEBBIE SQUIRES.  JAN VANGASSE.  MICHAEL YOCUM	June 30, 2009 June 30, 2009 June 30, 2008 June 30, 2008 June 30, 2009 June 30, 2009 June 30, 2009	

### ex officio

LYNN BOZA, Department of Labor and Economic Growth
SHERI FALVAY, Department of Community Health
VALERIE LANGE, Department of Corrections
MARK LARSON, Institutions of Higher Education
LEE MARTIN, Department of Human Services
JACQUELYN THOMPSON, Office of Special Education and Early Intervention Services

The State Board of Education appoints a **Special Education Advisory Committee** which provides advice to the board on matters pertaining to special education. The Michigan Special Education Advisory Committee was created by Act 154 of 1966.

# STATE BOARD FOR PUBLIC COMMUNITY COLLEGES

DR. GLADYS BECKWITH, Lansing
PATRICIA CARTER, Jackson
RICHARD H. CRAMPTON, Traverse City
LEWIS E. DRISKELL, SR., Flint
DAVID W. HACKETT, Rochester Hills
CAROL S. MACK, Southfield
VERNIS L. SCHAD, Grand Rapids
JAMES F. A. TURNER, Benton Harbor

#### ex officio

MICHAEL P. FLANAGAN, Superintendent of Public Instruction

The State Board of Education, in article VIII, section 7, of the Constitution of 1963, is authorized to appoint a **State Board for Public Community Colleges**. This body consists of 8 members who serve 8-year terms and advise the State Board of Education concerning the general supervision and planning for community and junior colleges and annual appropriations necessary for their support.

### STATE TENURE COMMISSION

School District Boards of Education	Term expire
James M. Petrie, Northville	. Aug. 31, 2009
Classroom Instructors	
KAREN K. LESLIE, Grayling	. Aug. 31, 2009
DIRK F. ZUSCHLAG, Wixom	. Aug. 31, 2008
School District Superintendents	
Gerald D. Dawkins, Grand Rapids	. Aug. 31, 2008
General Public	
SHARON C. PETERS, Lansing	. Aug. 31, 2008
ex officio	

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The **State Tenure Commission** was created by Act 4 of the Extra Session of 1937. The commission renders decisions on appeals by teachers who contest decisions made by their local school boards concerning their tenure rights.

The 5 members of the commission are appointed by the governor for 5-year terms. Upon expiration of a term, a member may continue to serve until a successor is appointed.